ABSTRACT

A learning aid for teaching arithmetic skills functions without an external source of electricity, weighs less than one kilogram, and poses sets of problems to a user. The device has a question-probability-setting selector which allows the user to select—for practicing or testing—from among different groups of problems in which different problems have different probabilities of being posed. The device can pose sets of recently-missed questions by a missed-questions memory that stores a limited number of questions that a user—during a plurality of sets of questions—has most recently either answered incorrectly or failed to answer within a perquestion time limit. The device generates an evaluative question-set score based on how well the user has answered a set of questions posed by it and stores and displays, one at a time, the scores for a plurality of the most recent question sets.